

# “Raising the Bar – Serve”

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John 13.12-17

Jesus had high expectations for His disciples. *Luke 14.33*

The sermon in a nutshell:

- Served people serve people.

Why do we need to serve?

- We \_\_\_\_\_ because Jesus \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ *us. 1 John 4.10-11, Galatians 2.20*
- Jesus was focused on serving, and His disciples need to have the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Philippians 2.5-7*
- God \_\_\_\_\_ to serve. That’s what disciples do. *John 13.12-17*

What does serving accomplish?

- We accomplish \_\_\_\_\_ on this earth by serving and using \_\_\_\_\_.  
*1 Corinthians 12.4-5*

What kinds of service help us accomplish the mission God gave us?

- We accomplish our mission...
  1. By serving people \_\_\_\_\_ the church.
  2. By serving \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. By serving people \_\_\_\_\_ the church.

Something really important to remember:

- Serving in the church isn’t just \_\_\_\_\_.  
It’s really \_\_\_\_\_ in His work to save this lost world.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I can identify where I’m serving right now.

Place of serving \_\_\_\_\_

I can’t identify where I’m serving right now.

Best way to contact you?  
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**Talk it over...with your friends, family, or Growth Group.**

*Talking through the ideas presented in Sunday's message helps us apply God's word to our individual lives. These questions are designed to help you put His words into action in your life this week.*

- God could very easily accomplish His mission on earth without us, yet He chooses to work through His people to accomplish His goals. Why do you think He does that? Is that a strategy you would have chosen? What response does that decision evoke in you?
- God has given each of us gifts, passions, abilities, experiences, and talents that we can use to serve Him. What gifts do you feel like He has given you? How are you using those to serve Him? What kinds of things do you think He is asking you to do?
- Why do you think God expects so much from us?
- Why do you think God had you here today? What do you need to take away from your time at Redeemer? How has God spoken to you through the music, sermon, or interaction with others?

